



Agenda

Steering Committee – Meeting #1

Missouri Strategic Initiative for Economic Growth

July 29, 2010

Columbia, Reynolds Alumni Center, University of Missouri campus

- 10:00 to 10:10 – Welcome – **Dr. Michael Nichols**, University of Missouri system.
- 10:10 to 10:45 - **Mr. David Kerr**, Director, Missouri Department of Economic Development (DED):
 - a. Introduction of committee members.
 - b. Purpose and Scope of the initiative.
 - c. Purpose/Role of Steering Committee, Executive Advisory Committee, and Regional Planning Teams.
 - d. Proposed schedule/timing.
 - e. Q&A/Discussion.
- 10:45 to 11:00 – **Mr. Mac Holliday**, Market Street Services (DED's consultant/facilitator).
- 11:00 to 11:50 - **Economic Report Presentations.**
 - a. MO/US Economy: Dr. Marty Romitti, Missouri Economic Research and Information Center (MERIC)
 - b. MO Workforce Demographics: Ms. Mary Bruton, Missouri Economic Research and Information Center (MERIC)
- 11:50 to 12:00 - **MO's comparative strengths/weaknesses** – Mr. Mike Downing, Missouri Department of Economic Development.
- 12:00-1:00: **Lunch: Governor Nixon**, speaker.
- 1:00 to 1:15: **Break.**
- 1:15-2:15: **Panel** - Key issues for ED competitiveness (existing business expansion/retention, attraction).
 - Mr. Christopher Chung, Missouri Partnership (Moderator)
 - Mr. Richard Fleming, St. Louis Regional Chamber and Growth Association
 - Mr. Robert Marcusse, Kansas City Area Development Council
 - Mr. Randy Allen, Jefferson City Chamber of Commerce (also Chair, Missouri Economic Development Council)

- 2:15-3:15: **Panel** - Entrepreneurship and the Innovation Economy (R&D, access to seed/venture capital, tech transfer/commercialization, incubators):
 - Mr. Jason Hall, Missouri Technology Corporation (Moderator)
 - Dr. Daniel Getman, Kansas City Area Life Sciences Institute
 - Dr. Michael Nichols, University of Missouri system
 - Ms. Vicki Gonzalez, Nidus Center for Scientific Enterprise, St. Louis
 - Mr. Kelly Gillespie, Missouri Biotechnology Association
- 3:15-3:25: **Mr. Gary Forsee**, President, University of Missouri system.
- 3:25 – 4:00: **Committee discussion**, Mr. David Kerr, Moderator.
 - a. Next step in the process – consultant research; white paper review; regional forums.
 - b. Observations of today’s presentations/discussions, and additional information the committee would like to obtain (or presentations/panels at a future meeting).
 - c. Recommendations for Regional Planning Teams (from list of nominees, plus additional suggestions).
 - d. Future Steering meetings – available dates.

NOTE: Public meeting notice has been filed, per Missouri Sunshine Law. Public comments may be provided via the Strategic Initiative website (<http://www.ded.mo.gov/Strategic.aspx>) or mailed to the Department of Economic Development at PO Box 1157, Jefferson City, MO 65102.